

WAYNE COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

June 19, 2019

B.- Approval of the minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting

MINUTES
WAYNE COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 – 9:00 A.M.
Hearing Room 704, Guardian Building, 500 Griswold, Detroit, MI, 48226.

A. Roll Call 9:03 A.M.

Carron L. Pinkins (C)	- Present
Edward McCall Thomas (VC)	- Present
Sandra Bucciero	- EDS (9:14)
Sue C. Carnell	- Present
Mona Hammoud	- Present
Freman Hendrix	- EDS (9:08)
Robert P. Young	- Present

Board members Bucciero B. and Hendrix were not present to vote on items B. C.1 and 2.

B. Young/Thomas **Approved.** The minutes from the May 1, 2019 meeting. Motion Carried.

C. Unfinished Business

1. Young/Thomas **Dismissed.** Communication from Fred Archie, re: a Sheriff's Office employee. Motion Carried.

Mr. Avery Williams, Ethics Board Attorney, stated a notarized complaint form was not filed.

2. Hammoud/Thomas **Dismissed.** Communication from Ray Joseph, re: a Friend of the Court employee. Motion Carried.

Mr. Williams stated a notarized complaint form was not filed.

3. Hearing on the complaint by County Executive Warren C. Evans against County Treasurer Eric Sabree.

Mr. Joseph Slezak, Legislative Research Analyst, was instructed Commission by the

Chair to read a letter from Mr. Evans, who was not present.

Mr. Sabree and his attorney, Philip J. Thomas, were present. Mr. Thomas spoke to the board and answered questions, and called two witnesses: Mr. Sabree and Marty Spaulding, who answered questions from board members.

The hearing was stopped for a recess at 10:45 a.m. and resumed at 11:02 a.m.

Mr. Thomas requested a motion to dismiss Mr. Evans' complaint without prejudice.

Young/Hammoud

Approved. A motion to deny Mr. Thomas request. Motion Carried.

Board member Thomas abstained.

Mr. Pinkins stated at 12:00 p.m. that the hearing should be halted and resumed at the next meeting.

Hendrix/Thomas

Approved. Continue the hearing so that Mr. Spaulding could be called as a witness because of the distance he traveled. Motion Carried.

D. Such other matters as may be properly submitted before the Committee

The hearing will be continued at the next Ethics Board meeting at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 19, 2019.

Mr. Slezak informed the board that the contract modification for Williams Acosta, PLLC, for Mr. Williams' services to the Ethics Board was approved by the Commission's Committee on Government Operations and will go before the full Commission on May 16, 2019 for final consideration.

Mr. Pinkins informed the board that he spoke with Commission Chair Alisha Bell about designating money to the Ethics Board to conduct investigations as needed. He said that she is looking into designating funds at some point.

E. Public Comments

Written public comments were submitted before the meeting by Maureen Taylor, Tahira Hassanein Khalid, Stephanie Harbin and A. Karriem Muhammad. Spoken public comments were provided by Sylvia Orduno, Joshua Van Berkum, Beverly Kindle-Walker, Maureen Taylor, Katrina Muhammad, Sharon Anderson, Mitchell Shamsud-Din (who also provided written comments) and Denise Kennedy.

F. Thomas/Hammoud

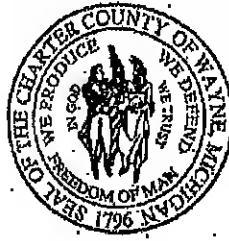
Adjournment: 12:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcel Brown
Legislative Research Assistant

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Caron L. Pinkins - Chair
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NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE WAYNE COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.
Hearing Room 704, Guardian Building, 500 Griswold, Detroit, MI 48226

The Wayne County Ethics Board has scheduled a meeting of the Board on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 704, Guardian Building, 500 Griswold, Detroit, MI 48226 to consider the following:

- A. Roll Call
- B. Approval of the minutes of the May 1, 2019 meeting
- C. Unfinished Business
- 1. Communication from Fred Archie, re: a Sheriff's Office employee
- 2. Communication from Ray Joseph, re: a Friend of the Court employee
- 3. Hearing on the complaint by County Executive Warren C. Evans against County Treasurer Eric Sabree

Note 1: This meeting is called in accordance with provisions of the "Open Meetings Act", Act No. 267, Public Acts of 1976.:

Note 2: In accordance with the provisions of Rule 3, "The Chairperson of a Committee, when requested in advance of any given meeting, may permit a person making such request to address the Committee on any matter on the Agenda. Such address shall not be longer than the time allotted by the Chairperson, subject to the approval of the Committee".

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D. Such other matters as may be properly submitted before the Board

E. **Public Comments**

Written public comment has been received from Maureen Taylor.

F. **Adjournment**